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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS

2007-2011 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Supporting documentation on code lists, subject definitions, data accuracy, and statistical testing can be found on the American Community Survey website in the Data and Documentation section.

Sample size and data quality measures (including coverage rates, allocation rates, and response rates) can be found on the American Community Survey website in the Methodology section.

Although the American Community Survey (ACS) produces population, demographic and housing unit estimates, it is the Census Bureau's Population Estimates Program that produces and disseminates the official estimates of the population for the nation, states, counties, cities and towns and estimates of housing units for states and counties.

Subject	Chicago city, Illinois			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	1,198,408	+/-2,677	1,198,408	(X)
Occupied housing units	1,030,746	+/-3,387	86.0%	+/-0.3
Vacant housing units	167,662	+/-3,175	14.0%	+/-0.3
Homeowner vacancy rate	3.9	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	7.8	+/-0.3	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	1,198,408	+/-2,677	1,198,408	(X)
1-unit, detached	309,210	+/-2,978	25.8%	+/-0.2
1-unit, attached	43,146	+/-1,209	3.6%	+/-0.1
2 units	184,587	+/-2,839	15.4%	+/-0.2
3 or 4 units	195,729	+/-2,610	16.3%	+/-0.2
5 to 9 units	127,647	+/-2,187	10.7%	+/-0.2
10 to 19 units	54,224	+/-1,627	4.5%	+/-0.1
20 or more units	281,031	+/-2,263	23.5%	+/-0.2
Mobile home	2,277	+/-389	0.2%	+/-0.1
Boat, RV, van, etc.	557	+/-232	0.0%	+/-0.1
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	1,198,408	+/-2,677	1,198,408	(X)
Built 2005 or later	38,258	+/-1,247	3.2%	+/-0.1
Built 2000 to 2004	53,594	+/-1,412	4.5%	+/-0.1
Built 1990 to 1999	49,336	+/-1,366	4.1%	+/-0.1
Built 1980 to 1989	46,576	+/-1,375	3.9%	+/-0.1
Built 1970 to 1979	81,784	+/-1,866	6.8%	+/-0.2
Built 1960 to 1969	116,675	+/-2,460	9.7%	+/-0.2
Built 1950 to 1959	155,940	+/-2,617	13.0%	+/-0.2
Built 1940 to 1949	116,961	+/-2,507	9.8%	+/-0.2
Built 1939 or earlier	539,284	+/-4,032	45.0%	+/-0.3
ROOMS				
Total housing units	1,198,408	+/-2,677	1,198,408	(X)

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1 room	68,387	+/-2,170	5.7%	+/-0.2
2 rooms	52,683	+/-1,709	4.4%	+/-0.1
3 rooms	158,332	+/-2,735	13.2%	+/-0.2
4 rooms	241,554	+/-2,753	20.2%	+/-0.2
5 rooms	266,141	+/-2,856	22.2%	+/-0.2
6 rooms	208,603	+/-2,992	17.4%	+/-0.2
7 rooms	87,282	+/-1,734	7.3%	+/-0.1
8 rooms	50,633	+/-1,635	4.2%	+/-0.1
9 rooms or more	64,793	+/-1,317	5.4%	+/-0.1
Median rooms	4.8	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	1,198,408	+/-2,677	1,198,408	(X)
No bedroom	80,694	+/-2,149	6.7%	+/-0.2
1 bedroom	237,996	+/-3,388	19.9%	+/-0.3
2 bedrooms	408,248	+/-3,134	34.1%	+/-0.3
3 bedrooms	330,918	+/-2,795	27.6%	+/-0.2
4 bedrooms	96,771	+/-2,009	8.1%	+/-0.2
5 or more bedrooms	43,781	+/-1,367	3.7%	+/-0.1
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	1,030,746	+/-3,387	1,030,746	(X)
Owner-occupied	484,122	+/-3,801	47.0%	+/-0.3
Renter-occupied	546,624	+/-3,872	53.0%	+/-0.3
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.74	+/-0.01	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.41	+/-0.02	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	1,030,746	+/-3,387	1,030,746	(X)
Moved in 2005 or later	486,479	+/-3,388	47.2%	+/-0.3
Moved in 2000 to 2004	192,039	+/-2,794	18.6%	+/-0.3
Moved in 1990 to 1999	167,009	+/-2,397	16.2%	+/-0.2
Moved in 1980 to 1989	77,466	+/-1,938	7.5%	+/-0.2
Moved in 1970 to 1979	57,583	+/-1,460	5.6%	+/-0.1
Moved in 1969 or earlier	50,170	+/-1,265	4.9%	+/-0.1
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	1,030,746	+/-3,387	1,030,746	(X)
No vehicles available	271,677	+/-3,067	26.4%	+/-0.3
1 vehicle available	456,128	+/-4,309	44.3%	+/-0.4
2 vehicles available	232,396	+/-3,235	22.5%	+/-0.3
3 or more vehicles available	70,545	+/-1,618	6.8%	+/-0.2
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	1,030,746	+/-3,387	1,030,746	(X)
Utility gas	882,546	+/-3,730	85.6%	+/-0.2
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	8,751	+/-547	0.8%	+/-0.1
Electricity	121,946	+/-2,368	11.8%	+/-0.2
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	3,193	+/-417	0.3%	+/-0.1
Coal or coke	308	+/-126	0.0%	+/-0.1
Wood	210	+/-82	0.0%	+/-0.1
Solar energy	157	+/-81	0.0%	+/-0.1
Other fuel	6,563	+/-516	0.6%	+/-0.1
No fuel used	7,072	+/-536	0.7%	+/-0.1
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Occupied housing units	1,030,746	+/-3,387	1,030,746	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	7,411	+/-712	0.7%	+/-0.1

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Lacking complete kitchen facilities	11,202	+/-855	1.1%	+/-0.1
No telephone service available	36,137	+/-1,291	3.5%	+/-0.1
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	1,030,746	+/-3,387	1,030,746	(X)
1.00 or less	982,217	+/-3,809	95.3%	+/-0.2
1.01 to 1.50	31,912	+/-1,234	3.1%	+/-0.1
1.51 or more	16,617	+/-997	1.6%	+/-0.1
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	484,122	+/-3,801	484,122	(X)
Less than \$50,000	11,744	+/-677	2.4%	+/-0.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	27,138	+/-1,073	5.6%	+/-0.2
\$100,000 to \$149,999	46,364	+/-1,441	9.6%	+/-0.3
\$150,000 to \$199,999	73,789	+/-2,012	15.2%	+/-0.4
\$200,000 to \$299,999	128,595	+/-2,291	26.6%	+/-0.4
\$300,000 to \$499,999	130,259	+/-2,102	26.9%	+/-0.4
\$500,000 to \$999,999	52,726	+/-1,304	10.9%	+/-0.3
\$1,000,000 or more	13,507	+/-691	2.8%	+/-0.1
Median (dollars)	260,800	+/-1,739	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	484,122	+/-3,801	484,122	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	355,194	+/-3,491	73.4%	+/-0.4
Housing units without a mortgage	128,928	+/-2,035	26.6%	+/-0.4
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	355,194	+/-3,491	355,194	(X)
Less than \$300	157	+/-72	0.0%	+/-0.1
\$300 to \$499	1,412	+/-207	0.4%	+/-0.1
\$500 to \$699	5,107	+/-455	1.4%	+/-0.1
\$700 to \$999	19,215	+/-1,040	5.4%	+/-0.3
\$1,000 to \$1,499	68,651	+/-1,602	19.3%	+/-0.4
\$1,500 to \$1,999	88,407	+/-1,880	24.9%	+/-0.5
\$2,000 or more	172,245	+/-2,588	48.5%	+/-0.5
Median (dollars)	1,970	+/-11	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	128,928	+/-2,035	128,928	(X)
Less than \$100	523	+/-170	0.4%	+/-0.1
\$100 to \$199	1,693	+/-243	1.3%	+/-0.2
\$200 to \$299	7,470	+/-546	5.8%	+/-0.4
\$300 to \$399	15,893	+/-685	12.3%	+/-0.5
\$400 or more	103,349	+/-1,802	80.2%	+/-0.6
Median (dollars)	592	+/-5	(X)	(X)
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (SMOCAPI)				
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	353,119	+/-3,462	353,119	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	89,735	+/-2,085	25.4%	+/-0.5
20.0 to 24.9 percent	48,176	+/-1,322	13.6%	+/-0.4
25.0 to 29.9 percent	41,642	+/-1,486	11.8%	+/-0.4
30.0 to 34.9 percent	33,873	+/-1,350	9.6%	+/-0.4
35.0 percent or more	139,693	+/-2,307	39.6%	+/-0.5
Not computed	2,075	+/-375	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	127,003	+/-2,017	127,003	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	38,117	+/-1,218	30.0%	+/-0.8

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10.0 to 14.9 percent	24,735	+/-1,048	19.5%	+/-0.8
15.0 to 19.9 percent	15,874	+/-742	12.5%	+/-0.6
20.0 to 24.9 percent	11,048	+/-693	8.7%	+/-0.5
25.0 to 29.9 percent	8,185	+/-502	6.4%	+/-0.4
30.0 to 34.9 percent	6,169	+/-455	4.9%	+/-0.4
35.0 percent or more	22,875	+/-1,143	18.0%	+/-0.8
Not computed	1,925	+/-334	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	533,072	+/-3,902	533,072	(X)
Less than \$200	12,864	+/-726	2.4%	+/-0.1
\$200 to \$299	15,553	+/-861	2.9%	+/-0.2
\$300 to \$499	27,894	+/-1,232	5.2%	+/-0.2
\$500 to \$749	102,709	+/-2,468	19.3%	+/-0.5
\$750 to \$999	157,225	+/-2,539	29.5%	+/-0.4
\$1,000 to \$1,499	146,474	+/-2,682	27.5%	+/-0.4
\$1,500 or more	70,353	+/-2,028	13.2%	+/-0.4
Median (dollars)	916	+/-4	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	13,552	+/-785	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	515,791	+/-3,826	515,791	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	57,292	+/-1,941	11.1%	+/-0.4
15.0 to 19.9 percent	61,575	+/-1,481	11.9%	+/-0.3
20.0 to 24.9 percent	63,144	+/-1,528	12.2%	+/-0.3
25.0 to 29.9 percent	56,775	+/-1,829	11.0%	+/-0.3
30.0 to 34.9 percent	46,050	+/-1,518	8.9%	+/-0.3
35.0 percent or more	230,955	+/-3,240	44.8%	+/-0.5
Not computed	30,833	+/-1,274	(X)	(X)

Data are based on a sample and are subject to sampling variability. The degree of uncertainty for an estimate arising from sampling variability is represented through the use of a margin of error. The value shown here is the 90 percent margin of error. The margin of error can be interpreted roughly as providing a 90 percent probability that the interval defined by the estimate minus the margin of error and the estimate plus the margin of error (the lower and upper confidence bounds) contains the true value. In addition to sampling variability, the ACS estimates are subject to nonsampling error (for a discussion of nonsampling variability, see Accuracy of the Data). The effect of nonsampling error is not represented in these tables.

The median gross rent excludes no cash renters.

In prior years, the universe included all owner-occupied units with a mortgage. It is now restricted to include only those units where SMOCAPI is computed, that is, SMOC and household income are valid values.

In prior years, the universe included all owner-occupied units without a mortgage. It is now restricted to include only those units where SMOCAPI is computed, that is, SMOC and household income are valid values.

In prior years, the universe included all renter-occupied units. It is now restricted to include only those units where GRAPI is computed, that is, gross rent and household income are valid values.

The 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, and 2011 plumbing data for Puerto Rico will not be shown. Research indicates that the questions on plumbing facilities that were introduced in 2008 in the stateside American Community Survey and the 2008 Puerto Rico Community Survey may not have been appropriate for Puerto Rico.

Median calculations for base table sourcing VAL, MHC, SMOC, and TAX should exclude zero values.

While the 2007-2011 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the December 2009 Office of Management and Budget (OMB) definitions of metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas; in certain instances the names, codes, and boundaries of the principal cities shown in ACS tables may differ from the OMB definitions due to differences in the effective dates of the geographic entities.

Estimates of urban and rural population, housing units, and characteristics reflect boundaries of urban areas defined based on Census 2000 data. Boundaries for urban areas have not been updated since Census 2000. As a result, data for urban and rural areas from the ACS do not necessarily reflect the results of ongoing urbanization.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2007-2011 American Community Survey

Explanation of Symbols:

1. An '***' entry in the margin of error column indicates that either no sample observations or too few sample observations were available to compute a standard error and thus the margin of error. A statistical test is not appropriate.
2. An '-' entry in the estimate column indicates that either no sample observations or too few sample observations were available to compute an estimate, or a ratio of medians cannot be calculated because one or both of the median estimates falls in the lowest interval or upper interval of an open-ended distribution.
3. An '-' following a median estimate means the median falls in the lowest interval of an open-ended distribution.
4. An '+' following a median estimate means the median falls in the upper interval of an open-ended distribution.
5. An '***' entry in the margin of error column indicates that the median falls in the lowest interval or upper interval of an open-ended distribution. A statistical test is not appropriate.
6. An '*****' entry in the margin of error column indicates that the estimate is controlled. A statistical test for sampling variability is not appropriate.
7. An 'N' entry in the estimate and margin of error columns indicates that data for this geographic area cannot be displayed because the number of sample cases is too small.
8. An '(X)' means that the estimate is not applicable or not available.